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# Hymn for Today



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O Thou All-seeing, in whose sight  
A thousand years are like a day,  
Look on this land and so Thy light  
Shall guide Thy people on their way.  
O Thou our God art still the Lord!  
Turn Thou Thy face and speed Thy word;  
So shall it be our shield and sword.  
Thine is the will, ours shall accord,—  
God and America!

When Duty sounds her trumpet-call  
Strong in Thy strength Thy sons shall stand,  
Their love, their lives, their hope, their all  
For Thee, O God, and for their land,  
America, Thy maiden free,  
Thy vestal by the sparkling sea,  
Whose hearth-fires burn for liberty,  
For this, O God, and love to Thee,  
God and America!

Among all people be good will;  
Still unto us in mercy bend;  
So in our time, O God, fulfill  
Thy reign of peace to have no end.  
O let our way in Thee be found;  
Still let Thy light in us abound;  
So shall we go with glory crowned,  
As still we sing with joyous sound,  
God and America!

Thus lead us, Lord, forever lead,  
Thy faithful witness, O our God,  
Till all the nations in their need  
Shall come with Thine own gladness shod;  
Till all beneath Thy daily sun  
Who know Thee not in joy shall run  
And turn to Thee, the Holy One.  
For This, O God, Thy will be done,—  
God and America!

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